(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when the said new train would be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) to (c) It is proposed to extend 1DM/2DM Delhi-Merrut City passenger to Muzaffarnagar during the current financial year. This will provide additional daily service for Muzaffarnagar-Delhi passengers.

Karnaprayag railway line

†2386. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that survey for the proposed Karnaprayag railway line was conducted many decades ago and it was contemplated that the railway line project should be implemented soon;

(b) if so, the status of this report;

(c) whether in view of the development of tourism and to accelerate the economic development in this newly formed State, Government are reconsidering this project; and

(d) if so, by when it is proposed to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) to (d) No, Sir. A survey for construction of new line from Rishikesh to Karnaprayag was completed in the year 1999-2000 as per which the cost of construction of 125 kms long line was assessed as Rs. 1372 crore. The proposal could not be considered in view of unremunerative nature, constraint of resources and heavy throw-forward of ongoing projects.

Racks allocated by Railways

†2387. SHRIMATI PREMA CARIAPPA:
SHRI MOTILAL VORA:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of racks allocated by Railways to Uttar Pradesh,

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.